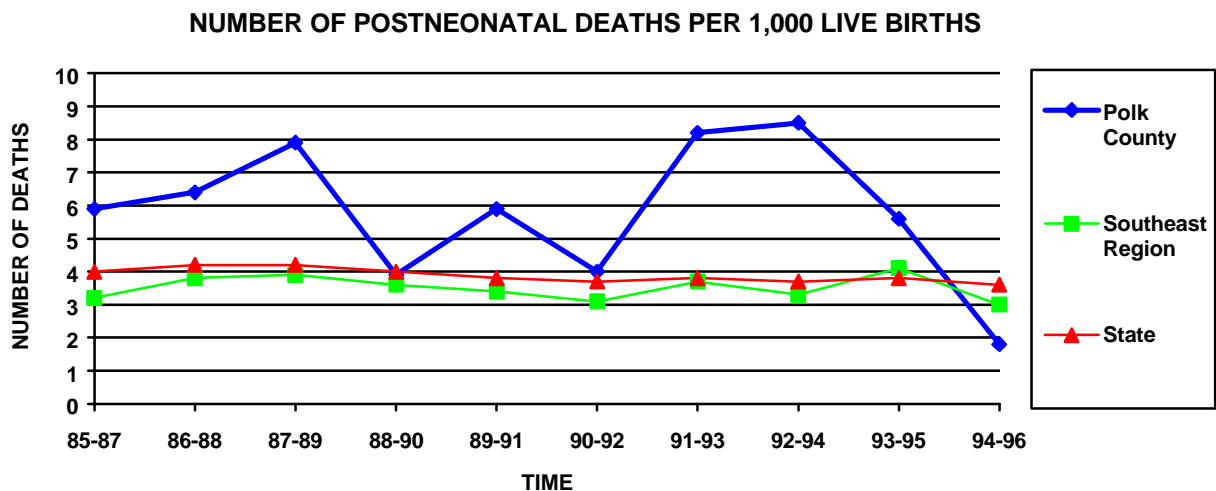


Polk County Mortality Experience

- **Number of Infant Deaths (death of a live born infant less than 1 year of age) Per 1,000 Live Births** - Polk County's infant mortality rate, while unstable, decreased between 1985 and 1996. The county's rate is lower than the rate for the Southeast Region and the State. Moreover, the county's rate is less than the national "Year 2000" objective. On the average, 2 of the 169 infants born in the county each year will not live through their first year (10.1 Infant Deaths per 1,000 Live Births).
- **Number of Neonatal Deaths (death of a live born infant under 28 days of age) per 1,000 Live Births** - The county's neonatal mortality rate, while unstable, decreased between 1985 and 1996. The county's rate is lower than the Southeast Region's rate, the State's rate, and the national "Year 2000" objective. On the average, 1 of the 169 infants born in the county will die before reaching 28 days old (5.2 Neonatal Deaths per 1,000 Live Births).
- **Number of Postneonatal Deaths (death of a live born infant over 28 days of age, but under 1 year of age) Per 1,000 Live Births** - Polk County's postneonatal mortality rate, while unstable, decreased between 1985 and 1996. The county's rate however is traditionally higher than the Southeast Region and the State. The county's rate is lower than the national "Year 2000" objective. On the average, 1 of the 169 infants born in the county each year will die between the ages of 28 days and 1 year (5.8 Postneonatal Deaths per 1,000 Live Births).



YEAR	85-87	86-88	87-89	88-90	89-91	90-92	91-93	92-94	93-95	94-96	Percent Change
POLK	5.9	6.4	7.9	3.9	5.9	4.0	8.2	8.5	5.6	1.8	-69.5